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SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, and YOKOHAMA	"PRINZ RECENT LUITPOLD" Capt. H. Kirchner	About THURSDAY, 3rd June.
MANILA, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY and MELBOURNE	"PRINZ WALDEMAR" Capt. F. Iscke	FRIDAY, 18th June, 10 A.M.
KUDAT and SANDAKAN	"BORNEO" C. A. F. Sembill	Beginning of June.

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NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

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Hongkong, 1st June, 1909.

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SHANGHAI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA	ARNOLD BEHIC	Guionnet	31st June, P.M.
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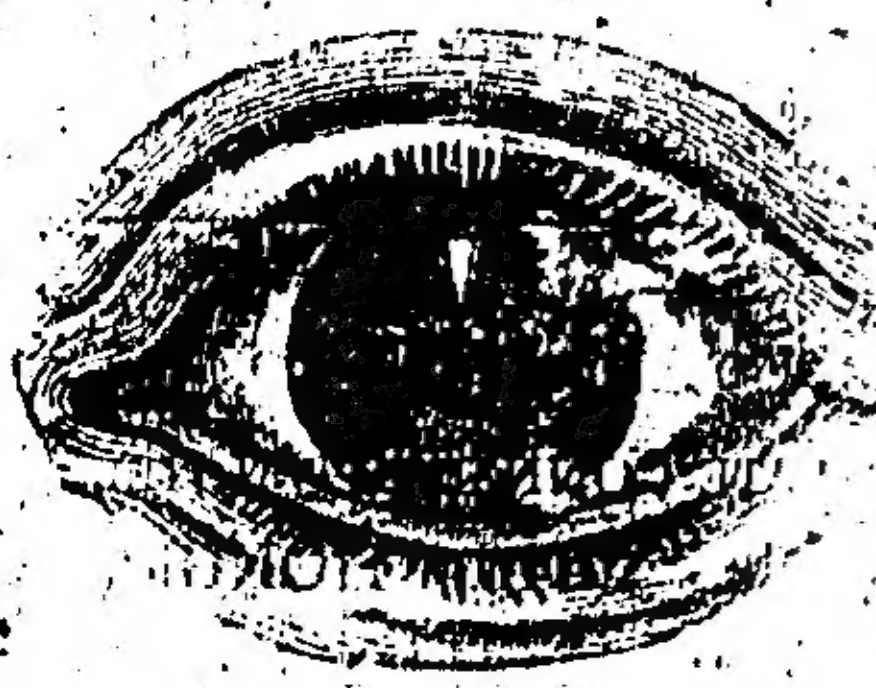
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Hongkong, 9th October, 1908.



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THE MONEY MARKET IN JAPAN.

DOMESTIC AND FOREIGN LOANS.

The Osaka Maimichi sounds a note of warning to municipalities and business companies regarding the introduction of foreign money. The money market in Japan, says the Osaka Journal, has been gradually relieved by the redemption of the Exchequer Bonds. Recently the rate of the Bank of England has been lowered to 2½ per cent., and the money market, both in Japan and abroad, shows a tendency towards further easing. This has given an impulse to business companies and municipalities, which have been pressed by the want of money, to undertake negotiations for foreign loans. The total amount of domestic loans floated from January last to the present time amount to ¥12,074,000 and that of foreign loans, to ¥38,168,000. There can be no doubt that the eagerness of money now prevailing in Japan has been created by the success in the negotiations for foreign loans. The latest reports of the Tokyo and Osaka Bankers' Union show that the amount of cash in the hands of banks has reached a very high figure, registering an increase of about ¥5,000,000 as compared with this time last year, and the present abundance in the supply of money would not have been seen had not the negotiations for foreign loans been successful. However large may have been the amount of money lying idle at the banks in Japan, they can by no means easily subscribe such a large amount as that of the Osaka Municipal loan. By this the small financial power of Japan may be seen. The success of the domestic loans can be properly ascribed to the success in the negotiations for foreign loans.

The following are the figures of the domestic and foreign loans floated or virtually settled since January this year—

DOMESTIC LOANS.

	Interest	Amount
	Received.	
Utsunomiya Municipality	9%	¥200,000
Tokyo Spinning Co.	—	¥1,500,000
Mayebashi Municipality	8%	¥200,000
Fuji Spinning Co.	7%	¥3,500,000
Settsu Spinning Co.	8%	¥1,000,000
Hokkaido Colonial Bank	7%	¥2,000,000
Kobe Municipality	6%	¥174,000
"	—	¥2,500,000
Osaka Shosen Kaisha	7%	¥2,000,000
Total	—	¥12,074,000

FOREIGN LOANS.

	Interest	Amount
	Received.	
Yokohama Municipality	6%	¥648,000
Tokyo Gas Co.	6%	¥3,000,000
Matsui Mouselline Co.	6%	¥500,000
Osaka Municipality	5%	¥30,220,000
Nagoya Municipality	5%	¥1,000,000
Keihin Electric Railway Co.	5%	¥2,000,000
(now under negotiation)	5½%	¥97

Besides these, many other loans are under negotiation or proposed. The present may be called the age of municipal and company loans. When foreign money is imported in streams for loans negotiated, under negotiation, or in contemplation, the flotation of domestic loans may become easier because of an easy money market in Japan. But the manner in which the money is spent requires much care and discretion. The question is how to dispose of the money and pay the interest. In most cases the money raised by these loans is intended to complete the works carried over from the war, not to further extend works, while a portion is for the conversion of existing debts. It is necessary to exercise care that no financial difficulty shall be felt in the future in the event of municipal loans being issued.

Japan Chronicle.

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Hongkong.

1st June, 1909.

WEATHER FORECAST AND STORM WARNINGS ISSUED FROM THE HONGKONG OBSERVATORY.

METEOROLOGICAL SIGNALS.

Meteorological signals are hoisted on the mast in front of the Water Police Station at Tsim Sha Tsui for the information of masters of vessels leaving the port. They do not necessarily imply that bad weather is expected here.

Signal	Meaning
1. A CONE point upwards	Indicates a Typhoon to the North of the Colony.
2. A CONE point upwards and 1/4 UM below	Indicates a Typhoon to the North-East of the Colony.
3. A DRUM	Indicates a Typhoon to the East of the Colony.
4. A CONE point downwards and 1/4 UM below	Indicates a Typhoon to the South-East of the Colony.
5. A CONE point downwards	Indicates a Typhoon to the South of the Colony.
6. A CONE point downwards and BALL below	Indicates a Typhoon to the South-West of the Colony.
7. A BALL	Indicates a Typhoon to the West of the Colony.
8. A CONE point upwards and BALL below	Indicates a Typhoon to the North-West of the Colony.

Rid Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be more than 300 miles away from the Colony.

Black Signals indicate that the centre is believed to be less than 300 miles away from the Colony.

The above signals will, as heretofore, be hoisted only when typhoons exist in such positions or are moving in such directions that information regarding them is considered to be of importance to the Colony or to shipping leaving the harbour.

These signals are repeated at the Harbour Office, H.M.S. Tamar, Green Island Signal Mast, and the Flagstaff on the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company at Kowloon.

URGENT SIGNAL.

In addition to the above, when it is expected that the wind may increase to full typhoon force at any moment, the following Urgent Signal will be made at the Water Police Station, and repeated at the Harbour Office—

THREE EXPLOSIVE BOMBS, AT INTERVALS OF TEN SECONDS.

A Black Cross will be hoisted at the same time, superior to the other shapes.

NIGHT SIGNALS.

The following Night Signals will be exhibited from the Flagstaff on the roof of the Water Police Station at Kowloon, the Harbour Office Flagstaff, and H.M.S. Tamar.

- Three Lights Vertical, Green Green Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated more than 300 miles from the Colony.
- Three Lights Vertical, Green Red Green, indicates that a typhoon is believed to be situated less than 300 miles from the Colony.
- Three Lights Vertical, Red Green Red, indicates that the wind may be expected to increase to full typhoon force at any moment.

No. III. Signal will be accompanied by the Explosive Bombs, as above, in the event of the information conveyed by this signal being first published by night.

These Night Signals will be substituted the Day Signals at sunset, and will, when necessary, be altered during the night.

SUPPLEMENTARY WARNINGS.

For the benefit of Native Craft and passing Ocean Vessels, a Cone will be exhibited at each of the following stations during the time that any of the above Day Signals are hoisted in the Harbour.

Gap Rock.	Aberdeen.
Waglan.	Sau Ki Wan.
Stanley.	Sai Kung.
Cape Collinson.	Sau Tai Kol.
	Tai Po.

This will indicate that there is a depression somewhere in the China Sea, and that a Storm Warning is hoisted in the Harbour.

Further details can always be given to Ocean Vessels, on demand, by signal, from the light-houses.

T. G. Figg, Director.

1st June, 1909.

Intimation.

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Hongkong, 11th May, 1909.

Intimation.

TENDERS FOR REVENUE
FARMS.TENDERS are invited for the lease of
Revenue Farms in the State of North
Borneo from the 1st January, 1910, as set out
hereunder.REVENUE FARMS IN THE STATE
OF NORTH BORNEO.1. In making arrangements for the leasing
of the Farms for the next 8 years period of 1910,
1911 and 1912, the Government reserves to
itself the right of vesting the Farms (as pro-
vided in the Proclamations concerning the
named in Schedule A appended) in any per-
son, by public or private sale as may be
thought fit.Subject to the above reservation it is hereby
notified that tenders will be received at the
Office of the Secretary to the Governor, Sanda-
kan, up to 12 o'clock noon, on the 1st day of
October, 1909, for the purchase of the exclu-
sive privileges of the Farms described below
for a period of one, two or three years com-
mencing on the 1st January, 1910.2. Any person either for himself alone or for
himself and others, may, either in person or by
agent duly accredited in writing, on any date
prior to the said noon of the 1st October next,
submit to the said Secretary at Sandakan, any
tender he may think fit for all or any of the
Farms, provided such tender is in conformity
with the terms of tendering hereinafter set out
and fulfils all the conditions required of the
tender.All tenders so made will (except at the ex-
press wish of the tenders to the contrary) be
received and treated by the Government as
strictly confidential.On receiving any such tender, Government
reserves to itself the right of deciding whether
it shall be considered or not.If Government decides not to consider the
tender, it will be returned to the tenderer
under sealed cover.All tenders accepted for consideration by
Government will be, in the first instance, re-
tained by Government for further consideration
with the tenders handed in on 1st October,
1909, which will be opened at noon on that
date, after which the successful tenderer will
be selected.

3. The Farms, above referred to, are—

(a) BRITISH NORTH BORNEO—Opium,
Spirit, Gambling and Pawn-broking, as fol-
lows:—
(i) in one concession for the whole State.(ii) in one concession for any of the follow-
ing Districts of the State, the limits named
including the interior territory watered by the
rivers within the limits given respectively:—
(i) SANDAKAN DISTRICT—the Territory
bounded on the one side by the true right
watershed of the Kinabatangan River and on
the other by the true left watershed of the
Paitan River.(ii) KUDAT DISTRICT—the Territory bound-
ed on the one side by the true left watershed
of the Paitan River and on the other by the
true right watershed of the Pindasan River.(iii) WEST COAST DISTRICT—the Territory
bounded on the one side by the true right
watershed of the Pindasan River and on the
other by the northern boundary of Province,
Clarke.(iv) EAST COAST DISTRICT—the Territory
bounded on the one side by the true right
watershed of the Kinabatangan River and on
the other by the Dutch Boundary on the South
at Broershoek point.(v) PROVINCE CLARKE—being the Territory
between Batu-Batu and the Lawas northern
watershed.4. The attention of those desirous of tender-
ing is drawn to the following terms:—
(a) The tenderer must state in his tender
the annual sum offered for the Farm rent for
the three years 1910, 1911 and 1912: a different
sum may be offered for the first, second and
third years respectively. The tenderer must
also clearly state the proportion of the amount
to be allotted to each separate Farm.(b) The Government does not bind itself to
accept the highest or any tender, and reserves
to itself the right of making any arrangements
it may deem advisable as regards the letting of
the Farms.(c) Each tenderer should specify in full, in
English, and in the vernacular language of the
tenderer, the names, residences and occupa-
tions of the persons tendering, and similar
information regarding any security or any
partner that the tenderer wishes to propose.(d) The successful tenderer will be called
upon to enter in a contract under the provi-
sions of the Proclamations named in Schedule
A appended.(e) Copies of the Forms of Contracts for the
Farms may be seen on application at the
Offices of the said Secretary, at Sandakan, or
of Messrs. Guthrie & Co., at Singapore, or of
Messrs. Gibb, Livingston & Co., at Hongkong.(f) The successful tenderer will be required
to deposit with the Finance Commissioner,
Sandakan, security to the value of three
months' Farm rent by means of a deposit of
money to the amount of one month's Farm
rent, and of title deeds to the amount of two
months' Farm rent.(g) The retail rates for Chandu fixed by
Government for the Opium Farm for 1910,
1911 and 1912 are those specified below:—
Per tahil 2.40
" chi 0.30
" hup packet 0.15
" 4 " 0.12
" 3 " 0.08
" 2 " 0.06(h) The Opium Farm is not sold by retail at the
Opium Farm or at the Opium Farm shops at
prices higher than those fixed by Government
and named above (g).The Opium and Spirit Farmer may fix their
own prices for supplying the Opium and Spirit
Farm Shops wholesale with Chandu and Spirit.(i) During the continuance of the Farm
period, the Opium and Spirit Farmer will be
entitled to the use of a Trade-mark (to be
approved by Government) to be affixed to any
Opium or Chandu prepared by them, and to
any vessel containing Spirit for sale.(j) As soon as the new Farmers have been
appointed by the Governor, they will be re-
quired to submit in writing to the Secretary to
the Governor at Sandakan a Schedule showing
full particulars as to the Title Deeds they pro-
pose to deposit with the Government as
security for the said two months' Farm rent.
If these are considered satisfactory, the new
Farmers will be required to execute a new
contract of the property to the Government as
provided for by law.(k) The Farmer for the West Coast may be
required to rent certain Farm buildings at
Jesselton.(l) The following Proclamations govern the
conduct of the Farms in B. N. Borneo viz:—
SCHEDULE A.The Opium Proclamation No. 16 of 1901 as
amended by No. 7 of 1904.

The Liquors Proclamation No. 17 of 1901.

The Pawnbrokers Proclamation No. 14 of
1902 as amended by No. 1 of 1903, and
No. 3 of 1906.The Gambling Proclamation No. 8 of
1911.The Opium Proclamation No. 16 of 1901 as
amended by No. 7 of 1904.

The Liquors Proclamation No. 17 of 1901.

The Pawnbrokers Proclamation No. 14 of
1902 as amended by No. 1 of 1903, and
No. 3 of 1906.The Gambling Proclamation No. 8 of
1911.The Opium Proclamation No. 16 of 1901 as
amended by No. 7 of 1904.

The Liquors Proclamation No. 17 of 1901.

The Pawnbrokers Proclamation No. 14 of
1902 as amended by No. 1 of 1903, and
No. 3 of 1906.The Gambling Proclamation No. 8 of
1911.

Auction.

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ARITA and MAKUDZU VASES and TEA
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ANNUAL MEETING.

The seventh ordinary general meeting of share-
holders of the above-named company, was held
at Shanghai, on 28th ult. There were present
Messrs L. R. Burkhardt (Chairman), Wm. Brand,
J. M. Tavares (Directors), G. J. T. Newman, J.
Hays (Legal Advisor), A. E. Wearse, A. V.
Brown, H. Henry, A. J. Hadley, C. Patrel, H.
Sheriff, W. S. Ford, J. A. Saxon, J. E. Lemiere,
H. Giller, E. Gaillard, J. Cornie and T. Robin-
son, representing 2,391 shares.The notice convening the meeting was read,
after which the Chairman addressed the share-
holders as follows:—Gentlemen,—The report and accounts have
been in your hands for the last three days; I pre-
sume we may take them as read. The results of
the year under review have fallen considerably
below expectation but there is, nevertheless,
some satisfaction in the fact that we have been
able to weather the storm under most trying
circumstances, and that there are prospects of
brighter days to come. Our loss was brought
about chiefly by the falling off in the number
of French, and other continental, tourists during
the year, coupled with the growing popularity
of the Trans-Siberian route and the consequent
absence of travellers, who used to call at
Shanghai on their way home. This is shown by
the receipts under the heading of "Board and
Lodging" account which were \$13,991.16 less
than the year before. In other sources of income,
there has been also a substantial decrease in
receipts, but by careful management and
economy the revenue has been met wherever
practicable by a reduction in current expenses,
and we have thus been able to avoid what
otherwise would have resulted in a serious
loss. I should not wish to dwell upon the com-
petition we have had to cope with, as you,
doubtless, are able to appreciate its keenness,
nor is it advisable at the moment to explain
either our strong or weak points, but you may
rely on our using our endeavour to hold our
own until we are able to rebuild this hotel.The Directors have been approached in this
connection by a substantial concern and expect
shortly to be able to offer full particulars on
the subject for your consideration.The Chairman added that he would be pleased
to answer any questions.In answer to Mr. Newman Mr. Tavares said
the amount allowed for depreciation on furni-
ture was 1 1/2 per cent.Mr. Newman asked why no depreciation was
allowed on the sum of \$40,000 for furniture.Mr. Tavares said that this amount was part
of the capital, and the sinking fund had been
constituted so that at the end of 14 years, when
their lease terminated, they would be able to
reimburse to shareholders their capital.A shareholder asked where the company's
sinking fund was? Was it invested in the Hotel?Mr. Tavares replied that under ordinary cir-
cumstances the amount of sinking fund should
be invested in securities, but they had a loss
last year of \$6,000.Some discussion ensued and eventually a
resolution was adopted by 9 to 4 to the effect
that the debit balance of Tls. 5,997.80 be placed
against the sinking fund account and that the
amount be erased from the balance sheet.It was proposed by the Chairman, and
seconded by Mr. Brand, that the report and
accounts be accepted and passed.

Carried.

On the proposition of the Chairman, second-
ed by Mr. Hadley, the appointment of Messrs.
W. Brand and J. M. Tavares as directors was
confirmed.Mr. Tavares proposed that Mr. L. R. Burk-
hardt be re-elected a Director of the company.
Mr. Hadley seconded and it was carried.Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews were
re-elected auditors on the proposition of the
Chairman, seconded by Mr. Brand.In reply to Mr. Hadley the Chairman said
the directors had a scheme in view with regard
to re-construction and he suggested that a
committee of shareholders should be appointed to
consult with the Directors in the matter.A circular would be sent to shareholders
asking those who were willing to do so to join
the Committee.

A NAGOYA TRAGEDY.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, JUNE 2, 1909.

CHINESE ENTERPRISE
IN HANKOW.

Much curiosity was aroused over the statement made by Sir Thomas Sutherland, Chairman of the Board of Directors of the P. & O. Steamship Company, at the annual meeting of shareholders, that it was proposed to inaugurate a new feature in the trade between China and Europe by importing Chinese pigs. Not a few people were inclined to believe that the veteran of the P. & O. Company was, to use a colloquialism, "pulling the leg" of the shareholders, although the appositeness of such an operation was difficult to understand. It was difficult to appreciate humour of that sort, if humour were intended and consequently the majority of people were content to await events. That there was real significance in the remark made by Sir Thomas Sutherland is now made evident by the announcement that a Hankow firm, designated the International Export Company, has chartered the P. & O. steamer *Palermo* to carry 2,000 tons of frozen pork to London, where it will be disposed of presumably at the Smithfield market. The *Palermo* is equipped with the necessary refrigerators and we understand that the vessel is now at Hankow awaiting her cargo. There will be no delay in the shipment, for the International Export Company, which has undertaken this novel enterprise, is busily engaged in slaughtering and freezing the required number of pigs. Its refrigerating plant is a large modern establishment, built on the pattern of the best American meat packing houses. According to the *North China Daily News* some mystery attaches to the character of the new venture. Foreigners in Hankow have repeatedly been refused admittance to this meat-packing establishment, which has been erected almost within Settlement limits, and the public does not even know who are the promoters of the enterprise; that they are Chinese is all that can be ascertained. The scheme, however, is looked upon as the opening wedge of a meat industry, for between the prices of

in China and in London there is a big difference. Even allowing for a high rate of freight there remains a satisfactory margin on the shipper's side. The speculative features are found in the quality of the meat, the natural antipathy to pork produced in a country where insanitation is so noticeable, and the possibility of an embargo being placed against it by the home health authorities. It is also considered probable that a trial consignment of game will be made at the same time, for the prices of wild game birds in China are comparatively very low, and it is reported that the Hankow packing establishment has been purchasing game and poultry during the past few weeks. In seeking the margin of profit we may estimate that the price of pork at Hankow is under 10 cents per pound, or approximately 2d. In London it is about 5d. With regard to the profit which it is estimated might be realised on game, poultry and eggs, a writer in our Northern contemporary points out that whereas in Hankow the price of pheasants is 50 cents, in London it is five shillings a brace; other comparisons show that while quail in China costs 4 cents, in London the price is 8d; snipe 6 cents as compared with 6d; ducks 35 cents as against 1s 8d; geese 5s as against four shillings, and eggs eight cents as compared with one shilling per dozen in London. Many proposals have been made to supply the demands of Europe for poultry, game and pork from the markets of China, and many people will watch the new scheme with interest. It is in good hands apparently and it will be given a fair trial. The enterprise of the Hankow syndicate might well be commended to the attention of those engaged in the rearing of pigs and the raising of poultry in the New Territories. If it is found profitable to send frozen pork and game from Hankow and to undertake the expense of chartering a vessel of the size of the *Palermo* for the purpose of sending the goods to London, it should surely be equally profitable to follow that enterprising example with Hongkong as the point of despatch. There is not the least doubt that the new departure opens up a wide and promising vista of the future prosperity of the New Territories, where land is cheap and labour can be obtained at moderate rates. Probably the peasantry would require some guidance and encouragement to embark in what is nothing more or less than a fresh industry, but the necessary incentive could be furnished by the 'go-ahead' Chinese merchants in Hongkong. Next year the railway through the New Territories will be opened if all goes well, and many have expressed the belief that for some considerable time the freight procurable would be infinitesimal, but if a prosperous trade in the rearing of pigs for the London market could be inaugurated, there need be no fear on the score of any possible lack of goods traffic. The outcome of the venture is, at all events, well worth attention and it will certainly be interesting to learn how the undertaking initiated in Hankow is received in London.

A 500 PER CENT. PROPOSITION.

We feel that we should be filling in our duty to our readers if we neglected to call attention to a prospectus which appears in the Shanghai papers inviting investors and capitalists to become shareholders in what is called the International Skating Rink, Ltd. It affords a magnificent prospect of happy days in store for those lucky enough to have shares allotted to them by the promoters of the scheme. That is, of course, if the calculations are correct and well-founded. All that the fortunate individual, who has had the *hous* to invest the savings which he has laboriously scraped together for years has to do is to make a scramble for the International Rink shares and then he will feel in the words of the popular ditty "satisfied for life." But in that ditty, the ambitions of the dreamer were modest and tame compared with the rosy visions which will be conjured up on the day of allotment by the successful candidate for shares. In the former case the aspirant to fortune merely wished that he owned the Western Union cable, and Hettie Green would promise to be his wife while Pierpont Morgan waited at the table—then he thought he could be satisfied for the remainder of his natural existence. But brighter dreams will attend the dawn when the shares of the International Rink are served out to the fortunate few. The gloom and misery of those who fail to recognise that fortune's tide is at its flood for them we hesitate to depict. Let it be said at once that those who invest their money in the International Skating Rink, Ltd., may look forward to a dividend of 50 per cent. per annum at the very lowest, although there is every reason to believe that the reward will really be at the rate of over 572 per cent. per annum. Now that should be sufficient for the ordinary man, unless he be a creature of grasping, gluttonous greed. The capital of the proposed company, to come down to hard facts, is fixed at \$250,000, divided into 6,000 ordinary shares of \$50 each, of which 5,000 shares are offered for subscription by the public. To quote the prospectus: "The company has been formed to build, furnish and equip a roller skating rink at Shanghai and to carry on the business of roller skating rink proprietors. The company

will also carry on such kindred sports, pastimes and amusements as can be conveniently carried on in connection with the above, and will have power to let their premises if so desired for exhibitions, shows, entertainments, or to organise and hold the same on the premises, on the company's own account, either at Shanghai or elsewhere. The plans acquired by the company have been carefully prepared by the Imperial Syndicate to suit local conditions and requirements. They have been modelled upon the successful existing skating rinks in Europe and America. Special attention has been given to the rink floor. The construction, the particular nature of the material used, and the method of laying the rink floor are, more or less, trade secrets which the Imperial Syndicate have included in the specifications handed over to the company. The option for the lease or purchase of a site has been procured on most favourable terms, and the necessary plans, drawings and specifications have been already prepared so that the works of construction can be taken in hand as soon as the necessary capital has been subscribed. We pass over sundry details and come to the revenue and expenditure accounts from which it seems that the promoters anticipate that the daily revenue will amount to \$3,850 or \$11,535 per month, while the estimated average monthly expenditure is placed at \$3,500, leaving a profit of \$3,335 per month. For 12 months \$77,500 is obtained which is the estimated annual profit. From this sum it will be necessary to make an allowance for renovations to building and other charges, which may be put down as a sum not exceeding \$5,000. The directors, after making such deductions upon such estimated profits, arrive at the sum of \$72,500 which will enable them to pay a dividend of 50% leaving a balance of \$32,500 which will be sufficient to create a reserve fund of \$10,000, besides carrying forward \$22,500 as balance to new account. Taking for granted the rink will be completed by Nov. 1st this year the directors confidently believe that a dividend of at least 30 per cent. will be paid to the shareholders on the completion of the first year of the company's existence. While \$36,000 is sufficient to pay 30 per cent. dividend on the total issued capital of the company, future dividends must reasonably be expected to be such as have rarely been secured by the proprietors of even the very successful amusement enterprises, because it should be remembered that this company, once the skating rink is in full working order, will not require to expend any sum other than that necessary for maintenance and general upkeep. This feature is in contradistinction to the great expense involved by other amusement enterprises, inasmuch as a constant change of programmes, including often expensive items, which may or may not prove popular, is in constant demand. That is the whole thing in a nutshell, but in case some of the investing public may be of a sceptical bent let us see what other roller skating rink companies are paying. The Manchester Skating Rink Company pays a dividend of 93 per cent. per quarter or 37 per cent. per annum; Rinkeries, Limited, a London concern, pays a dividend of 25 per cent. per month or at a rate equal to five shillings on the issued shares of the proposed company, which would be equivalent to 150 per cent. per annum; while a Dublin company on a capital of £2,000 paid out in the first four months of its existence no less than £1,797 18s. Readers can calculate the rate of interest for themselves. If that does not make the mouth to water then we can only say that the reader must be a philanthropist or a lunatic or one of those who do not lay up treasure for themselves on earth, like the missionaries. The company has been incorporated under the Companies Ordinance of Hongkong and the shares are now on offer. If the intelligent speculator fails to take time by the forelock and secure his fortune in rather less than no time then we refuse to bear the brunt of his blame. We, at least, have done our duty in calling attention to this wonderful venture.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

VIC-ADMIRAL Sir Hedworth Lambton left Nagasaki on 26th ult. en route for Weihaiwei.

COUNT Komura, Foreign Minister, who has been seriously ill, is now convalescent.

THE American cruiser *Rainbow* and four American destroyers left Nagasaki on 26th ult. for Yokohama.

PERMISSION has been granted to Commissioner Tang Shao-yi to wear a decoration conferred on him by the King of Belgium.

WE learn from a Nagasaki dispatch that the repair of the British destroyer *Pam* which stranded off Hsiao recently on her way from Nagasaki to Yokohama, has been completed. A naval court martial was held on the *King Alfred*, the flagship, on the 21st ultimo to inquire into the circumstances attending the stranding.

CHAU TAI, an amah, in the service of a family residing at 8, Second Street, West Point, took "French leave" and a quantity of her mistress's clothing about a month ago. Miss Chau cleared to Canton, and having disposed of the loot, returned to continue her work. She was given in charge at once, and received a sentence of a month's hard labour in the Police Court to-day.

The Prince Regent very recently commanded the Grand Council to withhold the publication of all more important memorials or papers on internal or foreign affairs for reasons of policy.

THE disinfecting station that is being established at Amoy will be used principally on passengers, baggage and steamers leaving for the Philippine Islands. The station is about ready to commence operations.

ANOTHER Chinese woman, Chan Yik (30) of 37, Lower Lascar Row has been arrested on a charge of ill-treating her servant girl, aged about eleven years. It was alleged that the cruelty consisted of beating the girl with bamboo. The accused was arraigned in the Police Court to-day, on a charge of alleged assault committed on divers dates, between 1st May and yesterday. She pleaded not guilty and was remanded.

CHARGES of armed robbery and kidnapping were preferred against a coolie in the Police Court, this afternoon. The evidence taken was to the effect that defendant, in company with a number of other men, all armed with revolvers, broke into the house of a merchant in the interior, and after looting the place, kidnapped one of his children, which they held to ransom. For a time no trace of the robbers could be found. In the latter part of last month, however, the defendant was found in Hongkong, and arrested. Mr. H. L. Dennis (of the Crown Solicitor's office) prosecuted. The case was adjourned.

CANTON DAY BY DAY.

A TAOAI'S MURDER.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Canton, 31st May.

With reference to the murder of Taoai Lau Sx Kee, H.E. Viceroy Chang Jen Chun appears mortified that the four dead should have been committed in the city of Canton. H.E. has therefore given instructions to the Magistrates of Pan Yu and Numbol and other officials to hunt down the murderers, within a period of ten days. The Pan Yu Magistrates have now offered a reward of \$1,000 for the apprehension of the culprits.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY EARNINGS.

The number of passengers carried daily by the Canton-Hankow Railway and the amount collected in fares during the last nine days of the 3rd moon are as follows:—

Number of passengers.	Amount collected.
21st day.....	3,509 \$ 555.65
22nd	2,887 495.40
23rd	2,714 426.95
24th	2,709 478.95
25th	2,335 418.05
26th	3,115 554.10
27th	3,105 537.50
28th	2,939 518.55
29th	3,913 488.25
Total.....	25,266 \$4,473.80

The total amount realised for the period was \$5,287.68, of which \$7,642.81 was collected from freight on goods carried by the railway.

The grand total of passengers for the 3rd moon was 110,306 and the amount collected in fares and freights was \$14,812.02.

TRIAD SOCIETY MEMBER ARRESTED.

Yesterday, on information received, the police effected the arrest of a man belonging to the Triad Society named Wong Siu Ting residing in the Southern suburb. On his appearance at the Police Court, the man admitted the charge preferred against him, i.e., belonging to an unlawful society.

PROPOSED RAILWAY.

The gentry of the Kah Ying prefecture propose to form a company with a capital of \$2,000,000 to be raised in shares of \$10 each for the building of a railway commencing from Shum Chies and passing through Tam Shui, in Wei Chow, the district of Hoi Fung, Luk Fung, Wei Loy, Po Ning, &c., to the city of Chiu Chow, about 600 N. miles. Subscriptions for the proposed line are about to be collected.

H.E. KO YU HIM.

It is learnt that H.E. Ko Yu Him, the Special Imperial Commissioner appointed to conduct negotiations with the Portuguese Government on the question of the delimitation of Macao, will proceed very shortly on board the shallow-draft cruiser *Xiangtao* to Chin Shan, in Heungshan district, as well as Macao, to make a tour of inspection. H.E. Ko's visit to the above-mentioned places will be of an unofficial nature, and he will not call on the Governor of Macao on his arrival at the Portuguese settlement.

THE SUNNING RAILWAY.

The Taoai for the Development of Native Industries (Chan Mong Tsang) will leave here on the 2nd instant with suite on board a gunboat for the Sunning district to participate in the celebration of the official opening of the Sunning Railway. Owing to exigencies of business H.E. Viceroy Chang will be unable to take part in the ceremony. His Excellency, however, has deputed Expectant Prefect Huang Hing Fai to act as his representative.

LIKIN COLLECTION.

The collection of Likin dues in Canton during the first ten days of the 4th moon as reported by the Likin officials to the Viceroy was 46,837,800 taels.

TAOAI LAU SIZ KEE'S MURDER.

With reference to the murder of the late Taoai Lau Siz Kee, a further reward of \$1,000 has been offered by the Canton Brigadier-General and \$3,000 by the Taoai of Constabulary, for the arrest of the assassins. Taoai Li Kah Chek, who was only recently released and permitted to return to Canton, has also been ordered by the Viceroy to use his best endeavours to hunt down the culprits.

TAOAI OF CONSTABULARY.

It is reported that the present Taoai of Constabulary (Wong Ping Pit) will shortly leave Canton for Peking and Taoai Li Kah Chek will be appointed Acting Taoai of Constabulary during the former's absence.

Divorce Damages.

SIR HENRY'S OPINION.

MR. SLADE ON THE QUESTION OF LAW.

After we had gone to press last evening, Sir Henry Berkeley, K.C., for the plaintiff, opened his argument, and spoke at some length, in the case in which Captain Mitchell, master of the steamer *Foot Song*, is suing John Lemm, the architect, for damages for the alleged adultery which the architect is supposed to have committed with the skipper's wife some time ago.

Shortly before four o'clock Mr. Slade (for the defence) concluded his address to the Court, and immediately afterward Counsel for the plaintiff presented his side of the matter. He observed at once that the words *res judicata* imported that the matter had been adjudicated upon. What was held in this action, when it was last before the Court, was that, at that time, there was no right to bring the action. The reasons for the conclusion at which the Court arrived were given in the judgment—that it was affected by certain legislation. Since that judgment had been given an Act had been passed which revived the right to bring the action, which now existed, unless it could be shown that the matter had already been the subject of a determination of the Court—that the matter in dispute had been adjudicated upon. No matter in dispute between these two parties had ever been adjudicated upon. The Court could not adjudicate on the matters under dispute, because it held when they came before it, that it had no power so to do. The only point decided was the technical point as to whether the Court could hear the case at all. The merits of the case had not been dealt with.

When the Court resumed this morning, Mr. Slade replied to Sir Henry's argument. He observed that the previous case had not been adjudicated on its merits and therefore *res judicata* did not apply. If the matter had gone to trial, if the verdict had been found for the plaintiff, the rule of *res judicata* would apply. Supposing the verdict had been given against the defendant the result would have been exactly the same. The point would have been taken and, in spite of the jury's verdict, judgment would have to have been entered for the defendant on the ground that no cause of action was shown to lie with the plaintiff. It was an indisputable rule of law that an action which had been dismissed by general demurrer was a bar to any further argument. Hard cases, Mr. Slade continued, made bad law all the world over, and there was such a danger here. A litigant, who had unsuccessfully brought an action, and allowed the time for appeal to pass by, could not—after the law had been amended—bring an action on the same subject. The litigant was barred by the previous action, unless it was declared in the amending enactment that previous judgments should have no effect. In arguing a certain point of law raised by the Chief Justice, Counsel held that what the plaintiff had done was to wait until Lemm had gone for a hard-earned holiday when the opportunity was taken to seize his property.

After further argument, his Lordship reserved his decision.

ROBBERY AT THE PEAK.

GOOD N. Y. OF JEWELLERY MADE BY THIEF.

During the absence of the occupier of 116, Gough Hill Road, the Peak, between seven and half-past eleven o'clock last night, a thief forced an entrance into the house, and making his way into one of the bedrooms, got away with a good haul of jewellery. The robbery was not discovered until late that night, and headquarters were promptly notified. The list of the property stolen is as follows:—\$100 in notes, one twenty franc note, a gold watch chain with jade pendant, valued at \$50, a gold bracelet, worth \$50, a gold ring, \$15; a pair of Japanese bracelets, valued at \$12, a lady's gold watch, the value of which was given at \$150, a brooch set with pearls, with a green stone in the centre, value \$40—the total aggregating \$425. The police are investigating the affair.

U. S. MINISTER AT PEKING.

THE NEW CANDIDATE.

New York, 27th May.

Mr. William Nelson Cromwell is reported to be a candidate for the position of United States Minister at Peking, in succession to Mr. W. Rockhill.

Mr. Cromwell is the senior partner of the law firm of Sullivan and Cromwell, New York, whose speciality is corporation law. He is well-known in the commercial world of America, particularly for his connection with the large corporations in the States. He was officer or counsel to more than twenty of the largest, including the United States Steel Corporation. Of his achievements might be mentioned his reorganisation of Decker, Howell and Company, and Price, McCormick and Company, which had failed for several millions, and which he put on a paying basis. His connection with the Panama Canal was recently referred to in connection with the libel suits against the *New York World* and the *Indianapolis*, for he was engaged by the Panama Canal Company of France and was instrumental in securing the passage of the Panama Canal Bill through Congress and was later engaged in perfecting the details of the transfer of the canal to the United States.—*Shanghai Times*.

FROM the office of the local branch of the Osaka Shosen Kaisha, we have received the latest hand-book containing a description of the well-known Company's Island Sea Services. The little compilation is got up in the same artistic style as other shipping literature issued periodically with which the tourist is familiar. It contains a number of interesting and well-defined photographs descriptive of the Island Sea and its environments and includes a general chart showing the regular services of the coasting liners. The new publication will doubtless prove useful to those in quest of pleasure.

THE "STAR" FERRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The eleventh ordinary general meeting of shareholders in the Star Ferry Company, Limited, was held at Sir Paul Chater's office, Victoria Buildings, this afternoon, Sir Paul Chater, chairman of directors, presided. Other present were the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, Mr. E. Shellin, and the Hon. Mr. E. Osborne (secretary); Messrs. T. F. Hough, Ho Fook, Wong Kam Fuk, W. H. Potts, J. W. Bandow, and H. A. Siebs.

The Secretary read the notice calling the meeting.

The Chairman said:—With your permission I propose as usual to take the report and accounts as read. As foreshadowed in my remarks to you at our last annual meeting, the year's working shows an improvement on its predecessor; and the reconstruction of the last of the Kowloon wharves which were destroyed in 1906, being nearly completed, we may, I think, look forward to further improvement during the year just commenced. The loss on subsidiary coins amounting to \$9,246 was principally on copper cents, the depreciation of which is at present 18 per cent. In the typhoon of July last, we were not quite so fortunate as in previous years in regard to the boats; one of them, the *Morning Star*, having been blown from Stonecutters, on to the rocks at Lai Chi Kok. The cost of repairs, you will perceive, has been debited to the Insurance Fund. The item of \$36,000 which has appeared in previous accounts under the heading "Hongkong Hotel debentures" has been liquidated and will, together with the \$107,000 owing by the Wharf Co., be re-debited on mortgage as soon as a favourable opportunity occurs. I shall be pleased to answer any questions you may desire to put.

No questions were asked.

The Chairman moved the adoption of the report and accounts.

Mr. Hough seconded.

Carried unanimously.

Mr. Bandow moved that the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson be elected a director of the company. Mr. Siebs seconded and the motion was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Ho Fook proposed that the election of the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson and Mr. Shellin as directors be confirmed.

Mr. Wong Kam Fuk seconded.

The motion was adopted.

On the motion of Mr. Siebs, seconded by Mr. Hough, Mr. W. H. Potts was re-appointed auditor.

The Chairman: That is all the business, gentlemen. I beg to inform you that the war-rates are ready on application.

ANTI-OPIMUM CAMPAIGN.

CONFERENCE IN THE STRAITS.

The Singapore Free Press says:—The third anti-opium conference of the Straits has been sitting at Kuala Lumpur on Saturday and yesterday, 24th ult., and a series of six resolutions were to have been submitted to the Delegates. From the constitution of the Society, we have no reason to suppose that they were not passed with acclamation, for when a Society meets with a pre-determined opinion among its members, critical examination of any of the resolutions prepared in anticipation of agreement ceases. The first resolution thanks the House of Commons and the Imperial Government for their decision to abolish opium "dens" and calls on the Government to fall into line with the Governments of China and Hongkong. The second expresses its deep sense of disappointment that the majority report of the Straits Opium Commission should have "put financial considerations before the welfare and well-being of the Chinese people" and is strongly in favour of further restrictive measures being taken without delay with a view ultimately to abolish opium throughout the Malay Peninsula. Resolution No. 3 asks for the compulsory registration of opium smokers. Resolution four assumes that poppy growing in China will be done away with in two years. No. 5 expresses its satisfaction for the increased duties on opium and licenses. And the sixth and last resolution calls for the abolition of the Farm system throughout the F. M. S. and Colony, approves of the establishments of a Government monopoly, but protests against the extension of the farming system to parts of the F. M. S. where it has not hitherto been in force. We quote these resolutions, because if they are passed, as they are sure to be, they will appear in the books of the opium faddists as representative of an indefinite something that may carry weight with those unaware of how small a body has passed these pompous resolutions. They do not represent the bulk of intelligent opinion in the Straits, so far as they traverse the report of the Opium Commission. The calm assumption that China will do away with poppy growing in two years is too absurd to discuss. The registration of opium smokers is impracticable, and the complete prohibition of opium, even if either of them were desirable, is impossible. In short we have an amiable body of cranks splendidly sitting down to pass resolutions based on false assumptions, proposing impracticabilities, and expressing views in opposition to the matured opinions of a body of unprejudiced men animated solely with a desire to get at the truth. We should be more concerned if the members of the Anti-opium Conference were more numerous and influential. We do not question their bona fides, but the fact that the chief resolutions are proposed by a medical man acting outside his profession and dabbling in politics, a missionary necessarily committed to one view, and a gentleman who has just been to China in a professional capacity on the Opium Commission, is necessary to be considered in getting a true idea of the value of these resolutions. The evidence given before the Commission should also be considered as to the strength and influence of the anti-opium societies, before assuming that the resolutions are as influential as they are conceived.

Telegrams.

"HONGKONG TELEGRAPH" SERVICE.

CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

LOAN AGREEMENT NOT YET SIGNED.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 1st June.

With reference to the Canton-Hankow Railway loan, the Central Government is desirous of employing British engineers and purchasing materials from British manufacturers.

In the circumstance H.E. Chang Chih-tung, superintendent-general of the railway, has not yet signed the agreement which is awaiting further consideration.

CHINA'S THANKS.

PRESENTS FOR THE EMPEROR OF JAPAN.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 1st June.

The Prince Regent has set apart one image of Buddha of jade, two pairs of old porcelain, and two pairs of other curios from the Imperial collection for Prince Chen to convey to the Emperor of Japan as presents to His Imperial Highness [on the occasion of the mission of thanks for the attendance by Prince Fushimi at the funeral of the late Emperor Kwang Su.]

ABOLITION OF LIKIN.

INCREASE OF DUTIES.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 1st June.

In reference to the proposal for the abolition of likin and the increase of duties, all the Ministers have agreed with the exception of the German Minister who is opposed to it.

THE SHANGHAI TAOTAI.

PROPOSED TRANSFER.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 1st June.

The Grand Council proposes to effect a change of posts between Tsai Nai-huang, the Shanghai Taotai, and Chun Chi-tsai.

IMPENDING FAMINE.

PROLONGED DROUGHT IN THE NORTH.

[By courtesy of the "Sheung Po"]

Peking, 1st June.

There has been a prolonged drought in the provinces of Honan and Anhui.

If the drought should be protracted another ten days it is feared that famine will overtake the territory.

DROWNING NEAR YAU-MAT.

JAPANESE PHOTOGRAPHER TAKES HIS OWN LIFE.

At the Magistracy, this forenoon, an inquiry was held by Mr. J. H. Kemp, the Coroner, to ascertain the cause of the death of a Japanese named Subichi Seki, aged twenty-five years, who committed suicide in the harbour the other day.

Seki was in the employ of a local photographer. He had been in the Colony for nearly three years. On the morning of the 14th inst. he obtained leave from his employer, his excuse being that he was going on a trip to Canton. He was not seen alive after that. It was some five days later that the corpse (Ho Wing) of the steam-launch Meteor discovered on a piece of vacant ground, near Yau-mat, close to the prayer wall, a bundle of clothing. On the face of the wall he saw blood stains. He reported the matter to Inspector Langley, at Water Police Station, and the clothing was taken charge of by the police. In the inner pocket the coat was found a letter, which, it is believed, explains the motive for the man taking his life. An hour after this discovery Seki's body was found floating close to the spot where the clothing was recovered.

Evidence was taken, and the jury returned a verdict of "Suicide by drowning."

HONGKONG PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The members of the Hongkong Philharmonic Society met at the City Hall yesterday afternoon, under the chairmanship of the Hon. Mr. F. H. May, on the occasion of the annual meeting of members.

The Chairman congratulated the society on the successful season it had had and remarked that it had been less interrupted than the previous season by dinner parties. They appreciated this attitude on the part of the public. Undoubtedly the most important work undertaken was "The Wreck of the Hesperus," for the success of which they were indebted to Mr. Denman Fuller for his labour in connection with the orchestration of the piece. The committee also wished to thank Mr. and Mrs. Grove, Mrs. E. G. Barrett, Miss Brotherton Harker and the Rev. M. Longridge for their services. They were sorry, he added, to lose the services of their hardworking secretary and he was sure they would all join in extending their best thanks to him. The treasurer would have something to say on the accounts and he would content himself by remarking that they would doubtless have learned with satisfaction that they carried forward a balance of \$348 to begin the work of next season. He trusted that the season would be as prosperous as the last (applause).

Mr. Beaver, hon. treasurer, moved the adoption of the accounts, which was seconded by the Hon. Com. Basil Taylor and carried.

The committee was constituted as follows: Messrs F. C. Barlow, C. E. H. Beaver, R. T. D. Sayle, J. A. Young, W. L. Patenden and Rev. A. B. Thornhill; the appointment of secretary being left with the committee.

It was unanimously decided to ask Mr. Denman Fuller to undertake the conducting of the society next season and with a vote of thanks to the Chairman the proceedings terminated.

ANNUAL REPORT.

The committee of the Philharmonic Society have much pleasure in presenting the annual report for the season 1908-1909.

The membership of the society shows a gratifying increase over that of last season. We have the following additional Vice-Presidents: Messrs C. E. H. Beaver, F. B. L. Bowley, W. A. Dowley, Major-General R. C. Broadwood C.B., and the Hon. Mr. W. J. Gresson, whilst the number of ordinary members has increased from sixty-six in 1907-1908 to ninety-two in 1908-1909.

This large increase is mainly due to the alteration in the rules, sanctioned by the extraordinary general meeting of November last, whereby ladies and gentlemen are permitted to join the society as subscribing members with all the privileges of vocal and instrumental members except that of voting on any question under discussion at special or general meetings.

During the past season, the society gave two concerts as compared with only one in the previous year. The first concert was held in the St. George's Hall on Friday, January 8th, 1909, and included, amongst other items, Vincent's "Choral Fantasia" on Old National Airs, by a chorus and orchestra of some eighty performers. In spite of the inclemency of the weather, the concert was well attended.

The second concert took place on Tuesday, April 17th, 1909, and though, from an artistic point of view, it is admitted to have been in no way inferior to the former one, the audience was considerably less, due probably to the fact that the concert had to be given late in the season.

Hanish MacCann's work, "The Wreck of the Hesperus," by chorus and orchestra, was the main item at this concert, and the time and care necessary to produce a work of the nature rendered an earlier date for the concert impracticable. No orchestral parts of this work being available, the orchestra—no light task in view of the very small number of performers—was so ably undertaken by the conductor as to suggest the desirability of adopting this practice for the future, having regard to the difficulty of obtaining a full complement of instruments.

The task of orchestrating this work (which is nothing if not descriptive) for the handful of performers available might have appalled a less capable musician than Mr. Denman Fuller but, in a few days, he produced a score, which gave the greatest satisfaction to all concerned, and which contributed in very great measure to the success of this item on the programme. The committee have since gladly accepted the orchestral parts which Mr. Fuller has kindly presented to the society.

The committee desire to express their most sincere thanks to all those members who took part in the concerts, especially to Mr. and Mrs. F. Grove of Canton, Mrs. E. G. Barrett, and the Rev. M. Longridge, R. N.

The society is also greatly indebted to Miss Brotherton Harker for the gifted manner in which she has acted as hon. accompanist to the society through out the season.

It is with regret that the committee have to announce that Mr. Gelsiorpe is leaving the Colony and thus will no longer be able to carry on the duties of hon. secretary. His untiring and painstaking performance of such duties calls for the emphatic appreciation of the society.

As in previous years, the expenses connected with both concerts exceeded the receipts, the deficits in each case being met from the subscriptions or general fund. The society is, however, to be congratulated on possessing, after paying all expenses, a balance of \$148.54 to be carried forward to the account for next season, when it is hoped that members will again cordially support the society in its efforts to promote music of a high standard in Hongkong.

TELEGRAMS from Peking state that the detachment of 200 Chinese officers on probation at Tokio has caused a sensation at Peking. It is asserted in Tokio, however, that the officers were due to be detached as they had finished their course as it had been arranged for them.

INTERPORT SPORT.

HONGKONG SPORTSMEN IN SHANGHAI.

The Shanghai Times writes:—Our Hongkong visitors have beaten us handsomely at tennis, put up a right good fight against us in the cricket field, and acquitted themselves in all other respects in a manner which does them the utmost credit and reflects honour on the Colony that sent them hither to measure their strength with the best of our sportsmen and athletes. The visit has been a most successful one from every point of view and Shanghai has enjoyed it thoroughly, and the only possible circumstance that could have enhanced the distinction attending it would have been the participation of other sports besides Hongkong in the contests in which our visitors engaged with us. Nothing more effectively fosters that spirit of good fellowship and mutual esteem which ought to subsist among the foreign communities of the Far East than these interport trials of skill and proficiency in cricket, rowing, tennis, and other outdoor recreations, and nothing could be more desirable for the sake of the interests which Shanghai has in common with other places of foreign residence in this part of the world, than that the interport system should be encouraged and extended. Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama and Kobe have occasionally been represented in shooting or cricket or rowing matches with Shanghai, but we do not remember any occasion when Manila participated in a general contest, and very few when Swatow, Foochow, Hankow or Peking was represented. It ought to be easily possible to organise a sports meeting once every three years, say, when champions from all the places mentioned might assemble at Shanghai, or Hongkong, or Manila, or either of the two big Japan ports, and compete at shooting, baseball, rowing, cricket, football, polo and other sports and games for the honour of their respective colonies or settlements. It would be a splendid way for us to learn and appreciate the good qualities of our neighbours; the chances also are that business interests would be benefited and the general prosperity of the Far East promoted materially though unexpectedly by the holding of such a triennial carnival of sport as we have suggested, and by throwing the various matches and events open to the competition of Chinese, Japanese and all other people who cared to enter. The Japanese, for instance, have been expert baseball players for many years and would be certain to hail the idea of a series of interport matches with enthusiasm; whilst, as for Chinese competitors, we all know what thorough sportsmen, in the best sense of the word, our Chinese friends are, and we may be quite sure that either victory or defeat would be accepted by them in the quite proper spirit. The various schools and sporting and athletic clubs now in existence in Shanghai and other great centres of population in China are turning out, in ever-increasing numbers year after year, athletes and sportsmen who are second to none in physique or ability, and a great contest in which they could measure their strength in a friendly way, with the youth of other nationalities in the Far East, would be, we believe, an exceedingly interesting and beneficial event. Three years from now would be ample time for the organization of a sports and athletic meeting on a grand scale for the whole of the Far East, and we commend the idea to the various clubs and schools which would be likely to be interested.

A WOMAN'S JEALOUSY.

What is supposed to have been a case of jealousy was explained in the Police Court, to-day. A Chinaman was charged with stealing from a woman residing in Yee Yik Lane a metal water pipe, valued about \$2. The evidence was to the effect that the defendant, who was "not known" to the complainant, paid her a visit yesterday. He remained there for a while, and soon after his departure the pipe was lost. The other side of the story was that complainant and defendant were old sweethearts. They had had a lover's tiff; had agreed to part, and the charge, so it is alleged, was "preferred against the man to get him into 'hot water.' The defendant was liberated at once.

LANGKATS.

Sensational developments are in progress in connection with the Langkat litigation, which is now taking on a more serious and drastic shape than it has hitherto assumed. We are not at the moment at liberty, nor do we wish, to make any further announcement on the subject, which will in due course come before the proper tribunals.

Suffice it to say that the two civil suits now before the British Supreme Court form only a small part of the litigation in train.—China Gazette.

An uproar was created on board the steam-launch King Shan, in Shau-ki-wan harbour, last night when a number of painters, who had been engaged on the launch, attacked the two accountants. The painters, it would seem, were discharged some days ago, but returned to the launch about 10 p.m. yesterday. They were ordered off by the accountants. This led to a quarrel and a fight followed, the painters attacking the men with hammers and sticks. Six painters were arrested, and in the Police Court, this morning, were ordered to pay a fine of \$25 each for the assault. The alternative was a month's hard labour.

MANILA had an earthquake early in the morning on the 27th ult., and while the experts at the Observatory class it as light it was sharp enough to thoroughly arouse and slightly alarm a lot of folks. The shock came at a minutes after 4 and lasted just ten seconds; it seemed longer, but the instruments made an indisputable record. The latter also show that before the main shock, the only one the people felt, there were preliminary vibrations for 37 seconds. The shock was felt in all the neighbouring provinces and the observatory experts say the point of origin was probably somewhere on the eastern coast of Luzon E. N. E. of Manila.

Co-day's Advertisements.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

(THE JAPAN MAIL STEAMSHIP CO.)

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG—SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

DESTINATIONS.	STEAMERS.	SAILING DATES, 1909.
MARSEILLES, LONDON AND ANTWERP VIA SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO AND PORT SAID.	WAKASU MARU, Capt. N. Nielsen, Tons 6500.	WEDNESDAY, 9th June, at Daylight.
VICTORIA, B.C. & SKATTLE VIA KEELUNG, SHANGHAI, MOJI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA, SHIMIZU AND YOKOHAMA.	SADO MARU, Capt. Geo. Anderson, Tons 6500.	WEDNESDAY, 23rd June, at Daylight.
SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE VIA MANILA, THURSDAY ISLAND, TOWNSVILLE AND BRISBANE.	TOSA MARU, Capt. T. Harrison, Tons 6000.	TUESDAY, 8th June, at 4 p.m.
BOMBAY, VIA SINGAPORE AND COLOMBO.	* SHINANO MARU, Capt. K. Kawara, Tons 6500.	TUESDAY, 22nd June, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, MOJI AND KOBE.	IKKO MARU, Capt. M. Yagi, Tons 6000.	FRIDAY, 11th June, at Noda.
KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	KUMANO MARU, Capt. N. Matheson, Tons 6000.	FRIDAY, 9th July, at Noon.
NAGASAKI, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.	MOYORI MARU, Capt. J. C. Richards, Tons 4500.	THURSDAY, 3rd June.
* Omitting Shanghai.	COLOMBO MARU, Capt. M. Wincker, Tons 5000.	THURSDAY, 3rd June.
* Filled with new system of wireless telegraphy.	SANUKI MARU, Capt. K. Homma, Tons 6500.	FRIDAY, 11th June, at 5 p.m.
* Through Passenger Tickets issued to the Principal Cities in the United States, Canada and Europe, in connection with the GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY and Atlantic Steamers. Round-the-World Tickets also issued. Between Nagasaki and Yokohama, 1st and 2nd class through passenger have the option of travelling by Rail.	MISHIMA MARU, Capt. A. E. Moses, Tons 9000.	FRIDAY, 18th June, at Noon.
From Hongkong direct to Nagasaki 4 days, to Kobe 5 days and to Yokohama 6 days.		
For further information as to Freight, Passage, Sailings, &c., apply at the Company's Local Branch Office in Prince's Buildings, First Floor, Chater Road.		
	T. KUSUMOTO, Manager.	[457]

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

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Hirano Maru.....(Capt. H. FRASER).....	About Wednesday, 30th June.
Kamo Maru.....(Capt. F. L. SOMMER).....	About Wednesday, 28th July.
Mishima Maru.....(Capt. A. E. MOSES).....	About Wednesday, 25th August.
Atsuta Maru.....(Capt. W. THOMPSON).....	About Wednesday, 22nd September.

CHEAPEST PASSAGE RATES TO EUROPE AND AROUND THE WORLD.

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PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned has received instructions to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION,

ON SATURDAY, the 5TH JUNE, 1909, at 2.30 P.M., at his SALES ROOMS, DUDDELL STREET, AN ASSORTMENT OF

HIGH-CLASS IRISH HOUSEHOLD LINEN.

Irish Hand Embroidered Bedspreads, Hemstitched Sheets (various sizes), Double Damask Table Cloths with Serviettes to match, Single and Double White Satin Toilet Quilts, Finest Quality Turkish Bath Towels, Turkish Linen and Huchaback Towels, Ladies' Embroidered Robes, Handkerchiefs, Nightdresses, Skirts, Ladies' and Gent's Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, etc., etc., etc.

AND A few lots of White and Cream Lace Curtains, Carpets and Suit Lengths.

THE goods will be on view on Friday, a.m.

TERMS:—Cash on delivery. GEO. P. LAMMERT, Auctioneer. [459]

POSTAL DEVELOPMENT IN SHANGHAI.

RAPID PROGRESS.

Although for the past year the development of postal facilities in Shanghai and the district has been proceeding apace under the auspices of the Chinese Imperial Post Office at no time has the progress of the work been so rapid as at the present, says the Shanghai Mercury. Within the last month or two the extension of the postal service and the increased facilities offered by the Imperial Post Office have been sufficient to attract attention and call for favourable comment, but during the next few weeks when the scheme on foot commences to approach the completion of its present phase the results will be even more marked. Perhaps the most important part of the new service is the establishment of a branch of the post-office in the native City. For the purpose a large semi-foreign building on the main thoroughfare running from the North Gate was secured, and a fortnight ago was opened to business. Up to the present no postal business has been done there, but a foreigner will shortly be in charge and then the branch will be similar in its operations to the head office. Affecting the Settlement more closely will be the opening in a few days of a branch in Nanking Road. A building recently occupied by a bicycle store has been leased not far from Chekiang Road, and here all the kinds of postal business done in the head office will be transacted. This should prove of the greatest benefit to the community, not alone the Chinese either, and adjacent to such a busy part of the town as the Foochow Road district it is certainly required. A third branch is being arranged for on the Chinese Bund, not many minutes' walk from French-town, as a fortnight should see this work commenced. In addition to these branches must not be omitted the order of Rue

RAUB RETURNS.

The following is the result of crushing operations at Raub for the four weeks ending 22nd ultimo:—

Stones crushed 3,885 tons	BUKIT KOMAN.
Gold obtained 1,092 ounces	Average per ton 5.62 dwts.
Stones crushed 2,094 tons	BUKIT MALACCA.
Gold obtained 110 ounces	Average per ton 1.05 dwts.
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Intimations.

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AT PRICES TO SUIT EVERYONE.

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OUR SPECIAL

"HONEYSUCKLE" BRAND

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This butter, which is absolutely fresh, is undoubtedly the finest in Asia.

Hongkong, 26th May, 1909. [350]

NOTICE.

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Inasmuch as expense will be incurred in hiring suitable premises and in fitting up the forge, the manager hopes that the scheme will have general support.

Those desirous of availing themselves of the above are requested to send in their names and number of horses or ponies to the undersigned.

G. W. GEGG, Manager, Kennedy's Stables.

Hongkong, 4th May, 1909. [351]

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C/o Hongkong Telegraph. [352]

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TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.	
7.00 a.m.	to 10.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
10.00 a.m.	to 11.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
11.30 a.m.	to 12.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
12.45 p.m.	to 1.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.15 p.m.	to 1.45 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
1.45 p.m.	to 2.15 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
2.15 p.m.	to 3.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
3.00 p.m.	to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m.	to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

NIGHT CARS.

8.45 p.m. and 9 p.m., 9.45 p.m. to 11.15 p.m., every half hour.

SUNDAYS.	
8.00 a.m.	to 9.00 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
9.00 a.m.	to 9.30 a.m. Every 30 minutes.
9.30 a.m.	to 10.30 a.m. Every 15 minutes.
10.30 a.m.	to 11.00 a.m. Every 10 minutes.
11.00 a.m.	to 12.00 noon Every 15 minutes.
12.00 noon	to 1.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.
1.00 p.m.	to 5.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
5.00 p.m.	to 6.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
6.00 p.m.	to 7.00 p.m. Every 15 minutes.
7.00 p.m.	to 8.00 p.m. Every 10 minutes.

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SPECIAL CARS by Arrangement at the Company's Office, ALEXANDRA BUILDING, Des Voeux Road Central.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON, General Managers. [460]

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THE EXPERT REMOVER OF TATTOO MARKS.

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Manila	YUENSANG	FRIDAY, 4th June, 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	YATSHING	SATURDAY, 6th June, Noon.
SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA, KOBE	FOOKSANG	MONDAY, 7th June, Noon.
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FOR	STEAMERS.	TO SAIL.
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CEBU & ILOILO	"CHIHIL"	4th " " "
SHANGHAI	"LIAN"	6th " " Daylight
MANILA	"TEAN"	8th " " 3 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"YINGHONG"	10th " " 4 P.M.
SHANGHAI	"CHENAN"	13th " " "
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Steamer	Tons.	Captain.	Sailing Date
<i>Swartie</i>	6,252	Shotton	3rd June
<i>Oceanic</i>	6,557	F. W. Davies	1st July
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Beef—Prime cut—Mei Lung Pa 20

" Corned—Ham Ngau Yuk 20

" Roast—Shiu 20

" Breast—Ngau Lam 18

" Soup, Tong Yuk 15

" Steak—Ngau Yuk Pa 20

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" Sausages—Ngau Yuk Chuan 10

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" Corned—Ham Ngau Li 60

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" Hump, Salt—Ngau Kin 18

" Feet—Ngau Keok each 8

" Kidneys—Ngau Yiu 10

" Tail—Ngau Mei 18

" Liver—Ngau Con 12

" Tripe (undressed)—Ngau To 6

" Calves' Head and Feet—Ngau-chai-tau-koek each 10

" Mutton Chop—Yeung Pal Kwai 22

" Leg—Yeung Pei 20

" Shoulder—Yeung Shau 20

" Pig's Chills—Chi chong 22

" Brains—Chi Know per set 2

" Feet—Chi Keok 12

" Fry—Chi Chak 25

" Head—Chi Tau 18

" Heart—Chi Sum each 9

" Kidneys—Chi Yiu pair 8

" Liver—Chi Kon 30

" Pork Chop—Chi Pal Kwai 22

" Corned—Ham Chu Yuk 22

" Leg—Chi Pei 24

" Fat or Lard—Chi Yau 18

" Sheep's Head and Feet—Young Tau 50

" Kook each 9

" Heart—Yeung Sum each 24

" Kidneys—Yeung Yiu 24

" Liver—Yeung Con 22

" Sucking Pig, To Order—Chi Chai 22

" Suet Beef—Sang Ngau Yau 20

" Mutton—Sang Yeung Yau 22

" Veal—Ngau Chai Yuk 20

" Sausages—Ngau Chai Yuk Tong 20

POULTRY.

Chicken—Kal Chai 30

" Capons, Large, Small—Sia Kal 28

" Ducks—Ap 17

" Doves—Fan Kai each 18

" Eggs, Hen—Kal Tan per doz 20

" Fowls, Canton—Kal 30

" Hainan—Hol Nam Kai 16

" Geese—Ngo 29

" Geese, Wild Shanghai—Sheng Hoi Ye 16

" Nge 26

" Musk Deer—Wong Kong each 70

" Hare—To Chai 55

" Partridge—Chi Khoo 26

" Pheasant—Shan Kai pair 26

" Pigeons, Canton—Pak Kap each 26

" Holhoo—Holhoo Pak Kap 24

" Quail—Om Chou 26

" Rice Birds—Wo Fa Cheuk dozen 26

" Sulphur—Sa Cui each 70

" Turkeys, Cock—Fo Kal Kung per 5 55

" Hen—Na 26

" Wild Ducks, Shanghai, Sulap pair 26

" Teal, Shanghai, Sulap pair 26

" Wild Ducks, Canton—Sang Shing Su pair 26

" Ap 26

FISH.

Barbel—Ka Yu 9

" Bream—Bia Yu 14

" Canton Fresh Water Fish—Hol Sin Yu 15

" Carp—Li Yu 22

" Catfish—Chik Yu 11

" Gudgeon—Mun Yu 11

" Grabs—Hal 18

" Little Fish—Mak Yu 15

" Dab—Sa Mang Yu 12

" Dace—Wong Mei Lun 10

" Dog Fish—Titi Yu 8

" Eels, Oolong—Hal Man Yu 16

" Fresh water—Tam Sin Yu 15

" Yellow—Wong Sin 14

" Frogs—Tien Kai 28

" Garoupa—Sak Pan 12

" Gudgeon—Pak Kap Yu 12

" Herrings—Tao Pak 16

" Halibut—Cheung Kwan Yu 15

" Labrus—Wong Fa Yu 18

" Loach—Wu Yu 28

" Lobsters—Lung Ha 22

" Mackerel—Chi Yu 20

" Monk Fish—Mon Yu 26

" Mullet—Chai Yu 22

" Oysters—Sang Hoi 22

" Parrotfish—Kai Kung Yu 16

" Perch—Tan Loo 15

" Pike—Fa Paw Pong 8

" Pllice—Fan Yu 18

" Pomfret, Black—Hak Chong 22

" Pomfret, White—Pak Chong 22

" Prawns—Ming Ha 22

" Ray—Pal Fa 9

" Rock Fish—Sak Kan Kung 15

" Rock—Chung Yu 10

" Salmon, (Oven), Cooked—Ma Yau 10

" Yellow—Wong Sin 14

FRUITS.

Cents.

Shark—Sa Yu 9

" Skates—Po Yu 11

" Shrimps—Ha 24

" Snapper—Lap Yu 22

" Soles—Tat Sa Yu 20

" Tench—Wan Yu 18

" Turbot—Cho How Yu 22

" Turtles, small, fresh water—Kook Yu 50

" White Bait—Ngau Yu Chai 20

" Yellow—Wong Sin 14

" Zander—Lap Yu 22

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STOCKS.	NO. OF SHARES.	VALUE.	PAID UP.	POSITION AS PER LAST REPORT	LAST DIVIDEND.	APPROXIMATE PERCENTAGE BASED ON LAST YEAR'S DIV.	CLOSING QUOTATIONS.
				RESERVE.	AT WORKING ACCOUNT		
BANKS.							
Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation	150,000	\$125	\$125	\$1,500,000 \$14,500,000 \$16,000,000	\$2,000,734	Final of £2 and bonus of 5/- for 1908 @ ex 1/8 = \$16.024	54 % \$985 buyers London 29.10
National Bank of China, Limited	99,925	£7	£6	£4,000 \$10,000	\$10,223	\$2 (London 3/6) for 1903	55 %
MARINE INSURANCES.							
Canton Insurance Office, Limited	10,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,500,000 \$22,757 \$211,990 \$135,000	none	\$14 for 1907	72 % \$195 sellers
North China Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	£15	£15	Tls. 150,000 Tls. 302,747 Tls. 118,277 \$1,000,000	Tls. 160,511	Interim of 7/6 for 1908	54 % Tls. 104 buyers
Union Insurance Society of Canton, Limited	18,400	\$250	\$100	\$1,000,000 \$109,148 \$105,149 \$68,000	\$2,464.91	Final of \$17 making \$47 for 1907 and interim of \$30 for 1908	54 % \$845
Yangtze Insurance Association, Limited	12,000	\$100	\$60	\$1,000,000 \$24,475 \$199,664 \$1,000,000	\$7,753.7	\$12 and bonus \$3 for 1907	72 % \$225 buyers
FIRE INSURANCES.							
China Fire Insurance Company, Limited	10,000	\$100	\$10	\$1,000,000 \$138,663 \$13,802	\$375,341	\$6 and bonus \$2 for 1907	72 % \$110 buyers
Hongkong Fire Insurance Company, Limited	8,000	\$250	\$50	\$1,418,173	\$368,711	\$27 for 1907	8 % \$345
SHIPPING.							
China and Manila Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$25	\$21	\$7,000 \$24,638	\$1,085	\$1 for 1906	5 % \$11 sellers
Douglas Steamship Company, Limited	10,000	\$50	\$50	\$99,067 \$100,000	Nil	\$1 for year ending 30.6.1908	7 % \$36
Hongkong, Canton & Macao Steamboat Co., Ltd.	80,000	\$15	\$15	\$607,500 \$70,423 \$15,344 \$10,000	\$20,279	Final of \$1 making \$24 for 1908	72 % \$32 buyers
Indo-China Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. (Preferred)	60,000	£5	£5	£10,000 £10,000	£1,755	{6/- for 1907 on Preference shares only @ ex 1/8 = \$1.154	4 % \$73 buyers
Shanghai Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	200,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 75,000 Tls. 720,000 Tls. 2,000,000	Tls. 14,510	Final of Tls. 12 making Tls. 34 for 1908	72 % Tls. 524 buyers
"Shell" Transport and Trading Company, Limited	2,000,000	£1	£1	£1,000,000 £1,000,000	£1,817	Second interim of 1/- for a/c 1908	7 % Tls. 53 sales
"Star" Ferry Company, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000 \$10,000	98	{1/- for year ending 10.4.1908	4 % \$17 buyers
Taku Tug and Lighter Company, Limited	10,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 98,000 Tls. 451,479 Tls. 44,100 Tls. 7,000	Tls. 2,225	Final of Tls. 14 making Tls. 24 for 1908	11 % Tls. 45 sales
REFINERIES.							
China Sugar Refining Company, Limited	20,000	\$100	\$100	\$10,000 \$10,000	Dr. \$5,858	\$5 for year ending 31.12.08	34 % \$145 sellers
Union Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	\$100	\$100	none	Dr. \$135,843	\$3 for 1897	5 % \$15 sellers
Perak Sugar Refining Company, Limited	7,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 1,173	Tls. 34 for year ending 31.8.08	11 % Tls. 270 sellers
MINING.							
Chinese Engineering and Mining Company, Ltd.	1,000,000	£1	£1	£175,000 £12,289	£1,556	Interim of 1/6 (coupon No. 12) for year ending 29.2.09	7 % Tls. 174 buyers
Rio Australasian Gold Mining Company, Limited	150,000 50,000	£1 £1	18/10 £1	£4,878	Dr. £2,191	No. 12 of 1/- = 48 cents	5 % \$92 sellers
DOCKS, WHARVES & GODOWNS.							
Fenwick (Geo.) & Co., Limited	18,000	\$25	\$25	\$42.96	Dr. \$7,421	\$1.75 for year ending 31.12.06	5 % \$12
Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd.	60,000	\$50	\$50	\$10,000 \$10,000 \$10,000	\$10,102	Final of \$14 making \$34 for 1907	11 % \$59 sales
Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company, Ltd.	50,000	\$50	\$50	\$10,000 \$10,000	\$10,191	Final of \$4 making \$8 for 1908	11 % \$68 sellers
Shanghai Dock and Engineering Co., Ltd.	55,700	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 1,000,000	Tls. 13,712	Interim of Tls. 24 for 6 months ending 31st October, 1908	6 % Tls. 85 sellers
Shanghai and Hongkong Wharf Company, Limited	36,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 607,257 Tls. 10,000 Tls. 115,000	Tls. 22,818	Final of Tls. 6 making Tls. 10 for 1908	6 % Tls. 163
LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS.							
Anglo-French Land Investment Co., Ltd.	25,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,000	Tls. 4,134	Tls. 6 for year ending 29.2.09	54 % Tls. 104 buyers
Astor House Hotel Company, Limited (Shanghai)	30,000	\$25	\$25	\$10,000	Dr. 4,230	\$24 for year ending 30.6.07	5 % \$10 sales
General Stores, Limited	50,125	\$15	\$15	\$10,000	\$24,611	\$1.20 on old and 60 cents on first new issue	5 % \$19 buyers
Hongkong Hotel Company, Limited	8,000	\$50	\$50	\$648,975 \$13,911	\$291	Final of \$3 making \$6 for 1908	64 % \$71 ex n.d.
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd.	50,000	\$100	\$100	\$10,000	\$16,475	Final of \$31 making \$7 for 1903	64 % \$110 buyers
Hampden Estate & Finance Company, Limited	150,000	\$10	\$10	\$12,111 \$13,401	\$5,486	60 cents for 1908	64 % \$94 buyers
Kowloon Land and Building Company, Limited	6,000	\$50	\$50	none	\$278	\$14 for 1908	5 % \$30 buyers
Shanghai Land Investment Company, Limited	78,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 1,535,045 Tls. 3,000,000	Tls. 142,404	Final of Tls. 3 and bonus of Tls. 2 making Tls. 8 for 1908	64 % Tls. 120
West Point Building Company, Limited	12,500	\$50	\$50	none	\$1,968	Final of \$2 making \$4 for 1908	81 % \$46 sales
COTTON MILLS.							
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Company, Ltd.	15,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 15,000	Tls. 8,820	Tls. 5 for year ended 31.10.1908	44 % Tls. 120 buyers
Hongkong Cotton Spinning, Weaving and Dyeing Company, Limited	125,000	\$10	\$10	Tls. 15,000 Tls. 45,939 \$10,000	\$9,553	50 cents for year ending 31.7.08	6 % \$84 sales
International Cotton Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	10,000	Tls. 75	Tls. 75	Tls. 175,000	Tls. 8,372	Tls. 6 for year ending 30.9.06 (8%)	5 % Tls. 89 sellers
Loan-tung-mow Cotton Spinning & Weaving Co., Ltd.	8,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	none	Tls. 4,829	Tls. 4 for 1908	5 % Tls. 110 sellers
Soy Chee Cotton Spinning Company, Limited	1,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 31,172	Tls. 15,911	Tls. 50 for 1906	5 % Tls. 400 sellers
MISCELLANEOUS.							
Bell's Asbestos Eastern Agency, Limited	5,604	12/6	12/6	£1,500	£648	1/10th per share for 1907 = 1.037	10 % \$102
China-Borneo Company, Limited	60,000	\$12	\$12	\$10,000	Nil	\$1.20 or 1908	9 % \$132 buyers
China Light and Power Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$1,138	50 cents for year ended 28.2.06	5 % \$72
China Provident Loan & Mortgage Company, Ltd.	125,000	\$10	\$10	\$102,000 \$10,000	\$3,407	80 cents for 1908	84 % \$92 buyers
Dairy Farm Company, Limited	40,000	\$7 1/2	\$6	\$8,000	\$48	\$1.30 for year ending 31.7.08	72 % \$161
Green Island Cement Company, Limited	400,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000	\$3,751	Final of 50 cents making 90 cents for 1908	104 % \$8.80 sales
H. Price & Company, Limited	22,000	\$10	\$10	\$15,000	\$251	75 cents for 9 months ending 31.12.07	8 % \$12
Hall & Holt, Limited	21,000	\$20	\$20	\$185,000	\$8,957	\$2 for year ending 29.2.09	92 % \$21 buyers
Hongkong Electric Company, Limited	60,000	\$10	\$10	none	\$5,195	\$1 and bonus 20 cts. for year ending 29.2.09	64 % \$19 buyers
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	1,000	\$25	\$25	\$150,000	\$7,616	Final of \$15 per share making \$19 for 1908	124 % \$155 sellers
Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company, Ltd.	60,000	\$10	\$10	\$20,000	\$8,990	Final of \$1 per share making \$2 for 1908	84 % \$24
Maatschappij tot Mijn- en Landbouwen- plaat in Langkat, Limited	25,000	Gs. 100	Gs. 100	Tls. 147,502 Tls. 65,914	Tls. 116,582	1st Quarterly div. of Tls. 124 for account 1909	4 % Tls. 1,135 sa.
Peak Tramways Company, Limited	25,000	\$20	\$10	\$10,000	\$1,201	80 cents on fully paid shares and 8 cents on \$1 paid shares for year ending 30.4.09	6 % \$12.20 ex div. b.
Philippine Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	none	Pa. 18,540	None	3 % \$8
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	Tls. 50	Tls. 100,000	Tls. 6,503	Final of Tls. 4 making Tls. 7 1/2 for 1907	62 % Tls. 112 1/2 b.
Shanghai-Sumatra Tobacco Company, Limited	30,000	Tls. 20	Tls. 20	Tls. 24,820 Tls. 75,000	Tls. 5,250	Final Tls. 5 making Tls. 8 for 1908	44 % Tls. 165 sellers
Shanghai Waterworks Company, Limited	16,150	£20	£20	Tls. 200,000	Tls. 23,038	Final of 3/- making 4/- for 1908	5 % Tls. 415 buyers
South China Morning Post, Limited	6,000	\$25	\$25	none	Dr. \$56,602	None	8 % \$24
Steam Laundry Company, Limited	20,000	\$5	\$5	none	\$136	40 cents for year ending 31.5.08	8 % \$5
Tientsin Waterworks Company, Limited	1,000	Tls. 100	Tls. 100	Tls. 15,295 Tls. 4,000	Tls. 221	Tls. 64 for year ending 30.4.07	5 % Tls. 64 buyers
United Waterboat Company, Limited	50,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000	\$1,160	60 cents for year ending 31.12.07	64 % \$13 buyers
United Asbestos Oriental Agency, Limited	10,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000	\$2,613	80 cents on 9,900 ord. shares and \$19.80 on 100 Founders shares for yr. end. 31.5.07	64 % \$8.70 ex div.
Watson, (A. S.) & Co., Limited	92,000	\$10	\$10	\$10,000	\$395	Final of 30 cts. making 80 cts. for the year ended 30th June, 1906	64 % \$4 sales
William Powell, Limited	15,000	\$7	\$7	none	none	none	5 % \$10 buyers

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